

Chalmers Elementary Newsletter

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Important Dates to Remember:

Mar. 7	District Science Fair
Mar. 11	How Raven Stole the Sun Performance (1:30-3pm)
Mar. 11	Camp Jubilee Info Night for Gr 6 Parents (6:30pm)
Mar. 12	HoopShoot (Gr. 5 – 7) from 3:45 – 5:45 pm at Seaquam Secondary
Mar. 13	Term Two Report Cards Home
Mar. 14	PAC Toonie Treat Day – Dilly Bars
Mar. 15	Last Day of School Before Spring Break!!
Mar 18 to Apr. 1	Spring Break!!



Dear Parents:

With Spring Break almost upon us, I would like to take a moment and say “CONGRATULATIONS” to all our students for an outstanding second term! From the quality learning experiences provided daily by our fantastic staff, to numerous field trips and special presentations, to the many extracurricular programs, our students have had many opportunities to grow academically and personally over the course of the term. While everyone can enter Spring Break feeling good about what they have accomplished, I would like to encourage parents to spend time with your child(ren) over the break thinking about, then setting some personal goals for what they would like to achieve in Term Three.

At this time, I would like to say “THANK YOU” to everyone in our community who contributed to making Term Two a success. In particular, I would like to thank the tremendous efforts and dedication of the Chalmers school staff for making Term Two so rewarding for our students.

On behalf of the staff at Chalmers Elementary, I would like to wish all of our families a restful and enjoyable Spring Break!

Mr. J. McCallum
Principal

Ms. T. Doukas
Vice Principal

Chalmers Basketball Program:



Spring Break marks the end of what has been a tremendously successful basketball program at Chalmers Elementary.

The Grade 6 Boys and Girls Basketball teams had an exciting first season of basketball. Mr. Ng (Grade 6 Boys coach), and Ms. Soparlo (Grade 6 Girls coach) with the help of former Chalmers students Ayush and Amolak, were very proud of the sportsmanship, teamwork, and athleticism that was demonstrated throughout the basketball season.

Our Grade 7 Boys and Girls Basketball teams had the opportunity to learn and grow under the guidance of former Chalmers students Amit, Nav and Mr. McCallum (Grade 7 Boys coach), and Mr. Smith (Grade 7 Girls coach). The coaches were extremely impressed with the level of skill development and sportsmanship that was demonstrated by their teams.

On behalf of the Grade 6 and 7 students who participated in our school's basketball program, I would like to thank the Chalmers coaching staff for giving up their time to share their expertise and provide our students with this valuable extracurricular opportunity.

Term Two Report Cards:

Report cards will be sent with students on **Thursday, March 13th**. Please keep all the inserts and **return the envelope** to the school with a parent signature. Take some time to read the report card with your child. Celebrate your child's successes! Ask what they think is their best achievement this term, what they are most proud of or what they enjoyed participating in the most this term. Every child not only learns academic concepts, but also practices and reviews life skills every day. Ask your child which area they would like to make an improvement in and together develop a plan to reach that goal. Always encourage your child to strive to achieve their personal best!



Grade Sixes Take to the Mountain:



The grade sixes completed their annual ski and snowboard lessons at Mt. Seymour. With most of the students heading up to a mountain for the first time, it was fantastic to see their courage, persistence and humour while learning this life-long skill!

From total beginners on Day 1 to riding the Mystery quad chair on Day 3 or 4, their improvement was impressive! Hopefully, these lessons will turn into a hobby that they can enjoy into their adulthood. A special thank you to our parent chaperones: Mike MacPherson, Ravi Kajla, David Grant, Janey Enmil, Julie Hanna and Craig Hanna. Your support and encouragement throughout the 4 weeks are much appreciated by all of us. Memorable trips like this don't happen without amazing parental support. Thanks to ALL the parents who supported our Grade 6 Ski and Snowboard Program!

Chalmers presents Seussical Jr.:



Chalmers Elementary invites you to jump into a world of imagination based on inspired works by the great Dr. Seuss.

Seussical takes you on an adventure into the Jungle of Nool where the Cat in the Hat tells the story of Horton, an elephant who discovers a speck of dust that contains the Whos.

Horton faces a double challenge: not only must he protect the Whos from a world of naysayers and dangers, but he must guard an abandoned egg, left in his care by the irresponsible Mayzie La Bird. Although Horton faces ridicule, danger, kidnapping and a trial, the intrepid Gertrude McFuzz never loses faith in him.

Ultimately, the powers of friendship, loyalty, family and community are challenged and emerge triumphant.

May 1st & 2nd
6:30 – 8:00 pm
Chalmers Elementary Gym
\$5/person

Please contact Chalmers Elementary Office for Tickets. Tickets also sold at the door.

Lost and Found:

Please take a look through the lost and found laundry line (located in the hall between the Gym and the Library) for your child's missing clothing items. Unclaimed items will be bagged up and donated to charity.



Registration for the 2019-20 School Year:



Our Kindergarten registration was held on February 13th. Please encourage neighbours who have not yet registered to do so as soon as possible.

We continue to take registrations for Grades 1 – 7 placements at Chalmers Elementary. If you know of a family moving into our area, please encourage them to register their children as soon as possible to secure a placement at Chalmers for the upcoming school year.

Students already registered at Chalmers do not need to re-apply as they are already counted in our school's enrolment.

Traffic Safety:

This is a reminder to parents driving their children to or from school, there is no parent parking or drop off in the school parking lot from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.

There are two exceptions to this policy. First, licensed daycare providers can contact the school office for a parking lot pass that will provide them with access to the school parking lot during “restricted” hours. Second, families who require the use of our handicapped parking may continue to do so provided they have clearly displayed handicapped parking passes.



It is also asked that parents obey the municipal traffic laws; particularly those around making U-turns and to respect our neighbours by keeping their driveways clear. Recently, members of the Delta Police have been out before and after school to enforce municipal traffic laws. While I know that most of our community practices safe driving, it is imperative that everyone follow the rules if we are to keep your children safe.



Happy Spring Break



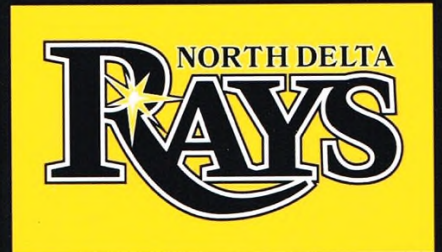
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THE **DELTA ORGANIZING AGAINST RACISM AND HATE COMMITTEE** PRESENTS
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An event to share experiences, insights, and awareness about racism and hate in Delta.

Wednesday, March 13, 2019
North Delta Recreation Centre
11415 84 Ave, Delta, BC V4C 2L9
Time: 7-8:30pm

Thursday, March 14, 2019
Harris Barn
4140 Arthur Drive, Delta, BC V4K 1A7
Time: 7-8:30pm

Limited Childcare Provided! Refreshments provided!

Please bring your own mug or water bottle for beverages.

For more information and questions about accessibility, please call Deltassist @ 504-594-3455

Please refrain from wearing any scented products. No ASL interpretation provided.



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